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SUBJECT: CASABLANCA BUSINESS BUZZ: SEVERAL GOOD MINISTERS, FEW EXPECTAT

Classified By: Principal Officer Douglas Greene for reasons 1.4 (B) AND

REF: (A) RABAT 01617 (B) CASABLANCA 0207

[1](#)1. (SBU) SUMMARY: CasablancaQs business community finds the selection o

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SEVERAL WELL-CHOSEN MINISTERS  
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[1](#)2. (C) Although most Moroccans expressed disappointment with the select

[1](#)3. (SBU) Salaheddine Mezouar, former Minister of Industry and Trade, is

[1](#)4. (SBU) At the same time that many are pleased with having a practicia

[1](#)5. (SBU) Opinions were slightly more mixed regarding the selection of A

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FEW WELL-DEFINED EXPECTATIONS  
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[1](#)6. (U) CasablancaQs business community does not seem to have consistent

[1](#)7. (C) In general, however, CasablancaQs businesspeople offered few con

[1](#)8. (SBU) COMMENT: Prior to the September 2007 elections, few Casablanca

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